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24 April 1998PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED
26 April 1997TITLE OF INVENTION
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Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information:

1. ☒ This is a **FIRST** submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371.
2. ☐ This is a **SECOND** or **SUBSEQUENT** submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371.
3. ☒ This is an express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371(f)) at any time rather than delay examination until the expiration of the applicable time limit set in 35 U.S.C. 371(b) and the PCT Articles 22 and 39(1).
4. ☐ A proper Demand for International Preliminary Examination was made by the 19th month from the earliest claimed priority date.
5. ☒ A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2))
 - a. ☒ is transmitted herewith (required only if not transmitted by the International Bureau).
 - b. ☒ has been transmitted by the International Bureau.
 - c. ☐ is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US).
6. ☐ A translation of the International Application into English (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)).
7. ☐ Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3))
 - a. ☐ are transmitted herewith (required only if not transmitted by the International Bureau).
 - b. ☐ have been transmitted by the International Bureau.
 - c. ☐ have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired.
 - d. ☐ have not been made and will not be made.
8. ☐ A translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)).
9. ☐ An oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(4)).
10. ☐ A translation of the annexes to the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(5)).

Items 11. to 16. below concern other document(s) or information included:

11. ☐ An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98.
12. ☐ An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included.
13. ☒ A **FIRST** preliminary amendment.
☐ A **SECOND** or **SUBSEQUENT** preliminary amendment.
14. ☐ A substitute specification.
15. ☐ A change of power of attorney and/or address letter.
16. ☐ Other items or information:

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- c. ☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-4800. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

NOTE: Where an appropriate time limit under 37 CFR 1.494 or 1.495 has not been met, a petition to revive (37 CFR 1.137(a) or (b)) must be filed and granted to restore the application to pending status.

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TRANSMITTAL LETTER FOR MISSING PARTS OF APPLICATION

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In complete response to the Notice to Comply with Requirements for Patent Applications Containing Nucleotide Sequence and/or Amino Acid Sequence disclosures dated not yet received, enclosed please find:

- [X] A copy of the "Sequence Listing" in computer readable form in compliance with 37 C.F.R. §§1.823(b) and 1.824.
- [X] A statement that the content of the paper and computer readable copies are the same as set forth in 37 C.F.R. §1.821(f).

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees under 37 C.F.R. §§1.16, 1.17, and 1.21 that may be required by this paper, and to credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-4800. A duplicate copy of this paper is enclosed.

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I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code; and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application, any patent issuing thereon, or any patent to which this verified statement is directed.

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

Prior to examination on the merits, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

In compliance with 37 C.F.R. §1.823(a), please delete pages 16-32 of the specification and insert therefor the attached paper copy of the "Sequence Listing" between page 15 of the Disclosure and the first page of the Claims to replace the Sequence Listing identified thereon.

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REMARKS

The paper copy of the Sequence Listing for the subject application, is by this amendment added between page 15 of the Specification and the first page of the Claims to replace the Sequence Listing identified thereon. Please amend the page numbers accordingly.

Favorable consideration on the merits is respectfully requested.

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

Prior to examination on the merits, please amend the
subject application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 1-46 without prejudice or
disclaimer.

Please add the following new claims 47-61:

-- 47. Neurotrypsins of the formulas I and II

I: neurotrypsin of the human

II: neurotrypsin of the mouse

48. Neurotrypsin according to claim 47, characterized in
that the compounds of the formulas I and II comprise the

separate, coding nucleotide sequences and the coded amino acid sequences of the compounds of the formulas I or II.

✓ 49. Use of the coding nucleotide sequences of the compounds of the formulas I or II for the production of recombinant proteins.

✓ 50. Use of proteins with the coded amino acid sequences of the compounds of the formulas I or II as targets for the development of pharmaceutical drugs, for example for the inhibition or the enhancement of the catalytic activity of the coded proteins of the formulas I or II.

✓ 51. Use of the species-homologous proteins of the compounds of the formulas I or II as targets for the development of pharmaceutical drugs, for example for the inhibition or the enhancement of the catalytic activity of the coded proteins of the formulas I or II.

✓ 52. Use of the proteins with the coded amino acid sequences of the compounds of the formulas I or II for the

spatial structure determination, for example the spatial structure determination by means of crystallography or nuclear resonance spectroscopy.

✓ 53. Use of the coded amino acid sequences of the compounds of the formulas I or II for the prediction of the protein structure by means of computerized protein structure prediction methods.

✓ 54. Use of the spatial structure of the coded amino acid sequences of the compounds of the formulas I or II as targets for the development of pharmaceutical drugs, for example for the inhibition or the enhancement of the catalytic activity of the coded proteins of the compounds of the formulas I or II.

55. Use of the coding nucleotide sequences of the compounds of the formulas I or II in gene therapeutical applications in humans and in animals, as for example as parts of gene therapy vectors as for example as parts of artificial chromosomes.

56. Use the compounds of the formulas I or II for so-called cell engineering applications for the production of gene technologically mutated cells, which produce the coded sequences.

57. Use of the coded amino acid sequences of the compounds of the formulas I or II as antigens for the production of antibodies, as for example antibodies that inhibit or promote the protease function or antibodies that can be used for immunohistochemical studies.

58. Use of the coding nucleotide sequences of the compounds of the formulas I or II for the production of transgenic animals, as for example transgenic mice.

59. Use of the coding nucleotide sequences of the compounds of the formulas I or II for the inactivation or the mutation of the corresponding gene by means of gene targeting techniques, as for example the elimination of the gene in the mouse through homologous recombination.

60. Use of the compounds of the formulas I or II for the diagnostics of disorders in the gene corresponding to the compound of the formula I.

61. Use of the coding nucleotide sequences of the compounds of the formulas I or II as a starting sequence for gene technological modifications aimed at the production of pharmaceutical compositions or gene therapy vectors which exhibit changed properties as compared with the corresponding pharmaceutical compositions or gene therapy vectors containing the coding nucleotide sequence of the compounds of formulas I or II, for example changed proteolytic activity, changed proteolytic specificity, or changed pharmacokinetic characteristics.--

REMARKS

Support for the new claims can be found, at least, in original claims 1-46.

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Early and favorable consideration of the subject
application is earnestly solicited.

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NeurotrypsinTechnical Field

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The present invention is directed to neurotrypsins and to a pharmaceutical composition which contains these substances or has an influence on these substances.

10 Disclosure of Invention

Neurotrypsin is a newly discovered serine protease, which is predominantly expressed in the brain and in the lungs; the expression in the brain takes place nearly exclusively in the neurons.

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Neurotrypsin has a previously not yet found domain composition: besides the protease domain, there are found 3 or 4 SRCR (scavenger receptor cysteine-rich) domains and one Kringle domain. It is to be pointed out that the combination of Kringle and SRCR domains have not yet been found in proteins. At the amino terminus of the neurotrypsin protein there is a segment of more than 60 amino acids, which has an extremely high proportion of proline and basic amino acids (arginine and histidine).

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The invention is characterized by the characteristics in the independent claims. Preferred embodiments are defined in the dependent claims.

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The newly found neurotrypsins

- neurotrypsin of the human (compound of the formula I),
- neurotrypsin of the mouse (compound of the formula II)

30 differ structurally very much from the so far known serine proteases.

The serine protease whose protease domain is structurally most closely related with the protease domain of the new compounds, namely plasmin (of the human), has only a 44 % amino acid sequence identity.

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The proline-rich, basic segment at the amino terminus has a certain resemblance with the basic segments of the netrins and the semaphorins/collapsins. Due to this

segment, it is probable that neurotrypsin may be enriched by means of heparin-affinity chromatography.

5 The neurotrypsins of the human (compound of the formula I) and of the mouse (compound of the formula II) exhibit a very high structural similarity among each other.

The identity of the amino acid sequences of the native proteins of the compounds of the formulas I or II amounts to 81%.

10 The neurotrypsin of the human (compound of the formula I) has a coding sequence of 2625 nucleotides. The coded peptide of the compound of the formula I has a length of 875 amino acids and contains a signal peptide of 20 amino acids. The neurotrypsin of the mouse (compound of the formula II) has a coding sequence of 2283 nucleotides. The coded protein of the compound of the formula II has a length of 761
15 amino acids and contains a signal peptide of 21 amino acids. The reason for the greater length of the neurotrypsin of the human consists therein that the human neurotrypsin has 4 SRCR domains, whereas the neurotrypsin of the mouse has only 3 SRCR domains.

20 The domains which are present in both compounds (compound of the formula I and compound of the formula II) have a high degree of sequence similarity. The corresponding SRCR domains of the compounds of the formulas I and II have an amino acid sequence identity from 81% to 91%. The corresponding Kringle domains have an amino acid sequence identity of 75%. A high degree of similarity consists also in the enzymatically active (i.e. proteolytic) domain (90% amino acid sequence identity).

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The protease domains of the neurotrypsins of the human (compound of the formula I) and of the mouse (compound of the formula II) are aligned in the following section, in order to illustrate the high degree of sequence identity.

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 |||||:||||:|.|||||
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 |||||:||||:|.|||||
 GWGDTGRAYSR TLQQAAPLLPKRFCKERYKGLFTGRMLCAGNLQEDNRV

 DSCQGDSSGGLMCEPGESEWVVYGVTSWGYGCGVKDSPGVYTKVSAFVPW 250
 |||||:||||:|.|||||
 DSCQGDSSGGLMCEKPDSEWVVYGVTSWGYGCGVKDTPGVYTRVPAFVPW

 IKSVTKL 258
 |||||. |
 IKSVTSL

From the 258 amino acid sequence positions included in the comparison there are
 233 amino acids that are identical in both compounds (upper sequence: compound of
 the formula I; lower sequence: compound of the formula II; identical amino acids are
 5 indicated by vertical lines).

The inventive neurotrypsins are unique when compared with the known serine
 proteases in that they are expressed according to currently available observations in a
 distinct degree in neurons. A further organ with a strong expression of neurotrypsin are
 10 the lungs (see Gschwend et al., Mol. Cell. Neurosci. 9, pages 207-219, 1997).

The proteins that are structurally most similar to the compounds of the formulas I or II are serine proteases, such as tissue-type plasminogen activator (tPA), urokinase-type plasminogen activator (uPA), plasmin, trypsin, apolipoprotein (a), coagulation factor XI, neuropsin, and acrosin.

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In the adult brain, the inventive compounds are expressed predominantly in the cerebral cortex, the hippocampus, and the amygdala.

In the adult brain stem and the spinal cord, the inventive compounds are expressed predominantly in the motor neurons. A slightly weaker expression is found in the neurons of the superficial layers of the dorsal horn of the spinal cord.

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In the adult peripheral nervous system, the inventive compounds are expressed in a subpopulation of the sensory ganglia neurons.

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The inventive compounds were found in connection with a study aimed at discovering trypsin-like serine proteases in the nervous system.

The first compound that was found and characterized was the compound of the formula II (Gschwend et al., Mol. Cell. Neurosci. 9, pages 207-219, 1997).

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By means of an alignment of the protease domains of 7 known serine proteases (tissue-type plasminogen activator, urokinase-type plasminogen activator, thrombin, plasmin, trypsin, chymotrypsin, and pancreatic elastase) in the proximity of the histidine and the serine of the catalytic triade of the active site, the sequences of the so-called primer oligonucleotides for the polymerase chain reaction were determined.

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The primer oligonucleotides were used in a polymerase chain reaction (PCR) together with ss-cDNA from total RNA of the brains of 10 days old mice and resulted in the amplification of a cDNA fragment of a length of approximately 500 base pairs.

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This cDNA fragment was used successfully for the isolation of further cDNA fragments by screening commercially available cDNA libraries. Together, the isolated cDNA fragments covered the full length of the coding part of the compound of the formula II.

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By conventional DNA sequencing the complete nucleotide sequence and the amino acid sequence deduced therefrom was obtained.

5 The compound of the formula I was cloned based on its pronounced similarity with the compound of the formula II.

The primer oligonucleotides used were synthesized according to the known sequence of the compound of the formula II.

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The cloning of the compound of the formula I was performed by means of two commercially available cDNA libraries from fetal human brain.

15 This procedure for the cloning can also be used for the isolation of the homologous compounds of other species, such as rat, rabbit, guinea pig, cow, sheep, pig, primates, birds, zebra fish (*Brachydanio rerio*), *Drosophila melanogaster*, *Caenorhabditis elegans* etc.

20 The coding nucleotide sequences can be used for the production of proteins with the coded amino acid sequences of the compounds of the formulas I or II. A procedure developed in our laboratory allows the production of recombinant proteins in myeloma cells as fusion proteins with an immunoglobulin domain (constant domain of the kappa light chain). The principle of the construction is given in detail by Rader et al. (Rader et al., Eur. J. Biochem. 215, pages 133-141, 1993). The fusion protein produced by the
25 myeloma cells was isolated by immunoaffinity chromatography using a monoclonal antibody against the Ig domain of the kappa light chain. With the same expression method, also the native protein of a compound, starting from the coding sequence, can be produced.

30 The coding sequences of the compounds of the formulas I or II can be used as starting compounds for the discovery and the isolation of alleles of the compounds of the formulas I or II. Both the polymerase chain reaction and the nucleic acid hybridization can be used for this purpose.

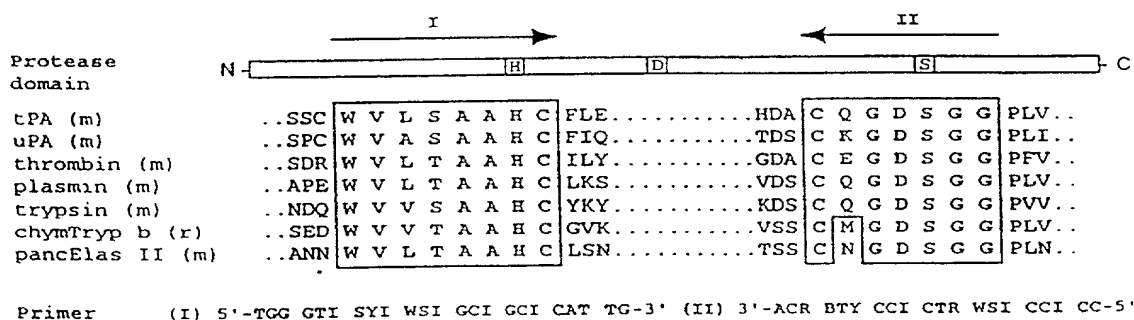
The coding sequences of the compounds of the formulas I or II can be used as starting compounds for so-called "site-directed mutagenesis", in order to generate nucleotide sequences coding the coded proteins that are defined by the compounds of the formulas I or II, or parts thereof, but whose nucleotide sequence is degenerated with respect to the compounds of the formulas I or II due to use of alternative codons.

The coding sequences of the compounds of the formulas I or II can be used as starting compounds for the production of sequence variants by means of so-called site-directed mutagenesis.

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cDNA cloning of the compound of the formula II (neurotrypsin of the mouse)

5 Total RNA was isolated from the brains of 10 days old mice (ICR-ZUR) according to the method of Chomczynski and Sacchi (1987). The production of single stranded cDNA was carried out using oligo(dT) primer and a RNA-dependent DNA polymerase (SuperScript RNase H⁻-Reverse Transcriptase; Gibco BRL, Gaithersburg, MD) according to the instruction of the supplier. For the realization of the polymerase chain reaction one forward primer was synthesized based on the amino acid sequence of the region of the conserved histidine of the catalytic triade and one primer in the backward direction was synthesized based on the amino acid sequence of the region of the conserved serine of the catalytic triade of the serine proteases. The amino acid sequences used for the determination of the oligonucleotide primers were taken from seven known serine proteases. They are presented in the following.



The protease domains of 7 known serine proteases (tissue-type plasminogen activator, urokinase-type plasminogen activator, thrombin, plasmin, trypsin, chymotrypsin, and pancreatic elastase) were aligned in the region of the conserved histidine and serine of the catalytic triade of the active site. The conserved amino acids of these regions were taken as the basis for the determination of the degenerated primers. The primer sequences are given according to the recommendation of the IUB nomenclature (Nomenclature Committee 1985).

25 The primers used in the PCR contained restriction sites for *Eco*RI and *Bam*HI at their 5' ends in order to facilitate a subsequent cloning.

The following primers were used:

In the reading direction (sense primers):

5'-GGGGAATTCTGGGTI(C/G)(T/C)I(T/A)(G/C)IGCIGCICA(T/C)TG-3'

5 In the counter direction (antisense primers):

5'-GGGGGATCCCCICCI(G/C)(A/T)(A/G)TCICC(C/T)T(G/C/T)(G/A)CA-3'.

10 The polymerase chain reaction was carried out under standard conditions using the DNA polymerase AmpliTaq (Perkin Elmer) according to the recommendations of the producer. The following PCR profile was employed: 93°C for 3 minutes, followed by 35 cycles of 93°C for 1 minute, 48°C for 2 minutes, and 72°C for 2 minutes. Following the last cycle, the incubation was continued at 72°C for further 10 minutes.

15 The amplified fragments had an approximate length of 500 base pairs. They were cut with *EcoRI* and *BamHI* and inserted in a Blue Script vector (Bluescript SK(-), Stratagene). The resulting clones were analyzed by DNA sequence determination using the dideoxy chain termination method (Sanger et al., Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA 77, pages 2163-2167, 1977) on an automated DNA sequencer (LI-COR, model 4000L; Lincoln, NE) using a commercial sequencing kit (SequiTerm long-read cycle sequencing
20 kit-LC; Epicentre Technologies, Madison, WI). The analysis yielded a sequence of 474 base pairs of the catalytic region of the serine protease domain of the compound of the formula II.

25 The 474 base pair long PCR fragment was used for screening of an oligo(dT)-primed Uni-ZAP-XR cDNA library from the brain of 20 days old mice (Stratagene; cat. no. 937 319). At total of 3×10^6 lambda plaques were screened under high stringent conditions (Sambrook et al., Molecular Cloning: A Laboratory Manual, Cold Spring Harbor Laboratory Press, 1989) using a radioactively labeled PCR fragment as a probe and 24 positive clones were found.

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From the positive Lambda-Uni-ZAP-XR phagemid clones the corresponding Bluescript plasmid was cut out by *in vivo* excision according to a standard method recommended by the producer (Stratagene). In order to determine the length of the inserted fragments the corresponding Bluescript plasmid clones were digested with *SacI*
35 and *KpnI*. The clones containing the longest fragments were analyzed by DNA

sequencing (as described above) and for subsequent data analysis the GCG software (version 8.1, Unix; Silicon Graphics, Inc.) was used.

Because none of the clones contained the coding sequence in full length, a second
5 cDNA library was screened. The library used in this screen was an oligo(dT)- and random-primed cDNA library in a Lambda phage (Lambda gt10) which was based on mRNA from 15 days old mouse embryos (oligo(dT)- and random-primed Lambda gt10 cDNA library; Clontech, Palo Alto, CA; cat. no. ML 3002a). As a probe a radioactively
10 labeled DNA fragment (Aval/AatII) from the 5' end of the longest clone of the first screen was used and approximately 2×10^6 plaques were screened. This screen resulted in 14 positive clones. The cDNA fragments were excised with *EcoRI* and cloned into the Bluecript vector (KS(+); Stratagene). The sequence analysis was carried out as described above.

15 In this way the nucleotide sequence over the full length cDNA of 2361 and 2376 base pairs, respectively, of the compound of the formula II was obtained. With the described procedure of PCR cloning it is possible to find and isolate also variant forms of the compounds of the formulas I or II, as for example their alleles or their splice variants. The described method of screening of a cDNA library allows also the detection and the
20 isolation of compounds which hybridize under stringent conditions with the coding sequences of the compounds of the formulas I or II.

Cloning of the cDNA of the compound of the formula I (neurotrypsin of the human)

The cloning of the cDNA of the compound of the formula I was carried out basing
5 on the nucleotide sequence of the compound of the formula II. As a first step, a fragment
of the compound of the formula I was amplified using the polymerase chain reaction
(PCR). As a matrix we used the DNA obtained from a cDNA library from the brain of a
human fetus (17th - 18th week of pregnancy) which is commercially available (Oligo(dT)-
and random-primed, human fetal brain cDNA library in the Lambda ZAP II vector, cat.
10 no. 936206, Stratagene). The synthetic PCR primers contained restriction sites for
*Hind*III and *Xho*I at the 5' end in order to facilitate the subsequent cloning.

In the reading direction (sense primers):

5'-GGGAAGCTTGGICA(A/G)TGGGGIACI(A/G)TITG(C/T)GA(C/T)-3'

15 In the counter direction (antisense primers):

5'-GGGCTCGAGCCCCAICCTGTTATGTAAIAGTTG-3'

The PCR was carried out under standard conditions using the DNA polymerase
20 Amplitaq (Perkin Elmer) according to the recommendations of the producer. The
resulting fragment of 1116 base pairs was inserted into the Bluescript vector (Bluescript
SK(-), Stratagene). A 600 base pairs long *Hind*III/*Stu*I fragment, corresponding to the 5'
half the 1116 base pairs long PCR fragment, was used for the screening of a Lambda
cDNA library from human fetal brain (Human Fetal Brain 5'-STRETCH PLUS cDNA
25 library; Lambda gt10; cat. no. HL 3003 a; Clontech). 2x10⁶ Lambda plaques were
screened under high stringent conditions (Sambrook et al., Molecular Cloning: A
laboratory manual, Cold Spring Harbor Laboratory Press, 1989) by means of a
radioactively labeled PCR fragment, and 23 positive clones were found and isolated.

30 From the positive Lambda gt10 clones the corresponding cDNA fragments were
excised with *Eco*RI and inserted into a Bluescript vector (Bluescript KS(+), Stratagene).
The sequencing was carried out by means of the dideoxy chain termination method
(Sanger et al., Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA 77, pages 2163-2167, 1977), using a
commercial sequencing kit (SequiTherm long-read cycle sequencing kit-LC; Epicentre
35 Technologies, Madison, WI) and Bluescript-specific primers.

In an alternative sequencing strategy, the cDNA fragments of the positive Lambda gt10 clones were PCR amplified using Lambda-specific primers. The sequencing was carried out as described above.

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The computerized analysis of the sequences was performed by means of the program package GCG (version 8.1, Unix; Silicon Graphics Inc.).

10 In this way the nucleotide sequence over the full length of the cDNA of 3350 base pairs was obtained. With the described procedure for PCR cloning it is possible to find and to isolate also variant forms of the compounds of the formulas I or II, as for example their alleles or their splice variants. The described procedure for the screening of a cDNA library allows also the discovery and the isolation of compounds which hybridize under stringent conditions with the coding sequences of the compounds of the formulas I
15 or II.

Visualization of the coded sequences of the compounds of the formulas I or II by means of antibodies

5 The more than 60 amino acids long proline-rich, basic segment at the amino terminus of the coded sequence of the compounds of the formulas I or II is well suited for the production of antibodies by means of synthesizing peptides and using them for immunization. We have selected two peptide sequences with a length of 19 and 13 amino acids from the proline-rich, basic segment at the amino terminus of the coded
10 sequence of the compound of the formula II for the generation of antibodies. The peptides had the following sequences:

Peptide 1: $\text{H}_2\text{N-SRS PLH RPH PSP PRS QX-CONH}_2$

Peptide 2: $\text{H}_2\text{N-LPS SRR PPR TPR F-COOH}$

15 The two peptides were synthesized chemically, coupled to a macromolecular carrier (Keyhole Limpet Hemacyanin), and injected into 2 rabbits for immunization. The resulting antisera exhibit a high antibody titer and could successfully be used both for the identification of native neurotrypsin in brain extract of the mouse and for the identification of recombinant neurotrypsin. The employed procedure for the generation of antibodies
20 can also be used for the generation of antibodies against the coded sequence of the compound of the formula I.

25 The resulting antibodies against the partial sequences of the coded sequences of the compounds of the formulas I or II can be used for the detection and the isolation of variant forms of the compounds of the formulas I or II, as for example alleles or splice variants. Such antibodies can also be used for the detection and isolation of gene technologically generated variants of the compounds of the formulas I or II.

Purification of the coded sequences of the compounds of the formulas I or II

Besides conventional chromatographic methods, as for example ion exchange
5 chromatography, the purification of the coded sequences of the compounds of the
formulas I or II can also be achieved using two affinity chromatographic purification
procedures. One affinity chromatographic purification procedure is based on the
availability of antibodies. By coupling the antibodies on a chromatographic matrix, a
purification procedure results, in which a very high degree of purity of the corresponding
10 compound can be achieved in one step.

Another important feature that can be used for the purification of the coded
sequences of the compounds of the formulas I or II is the proline-rich, basic segment at
the amino terminus. It may be expected that, due to the high density of positive charges,
15 this segment mediates the binding of the coded sequences of the compounds of the
formulas I or II to heparin and heparin-like affinity matrices. This principle allows also the
isolation, or at least the enrichment, of variant forms of the coded sequences of the
compounds of the formulas I or II, as for example their alleles or splice variants. Likewise
the heparin affinity chromatography can be used for the isolation, or at least the
20 enrichment, of species-homologous proteins of the compounds of the formulas I or II.

Industrial Applicability

The coding sequences of the formulas I and II can be used for the production of the coded proteins or parts thereof of the formulas I and II. The production of the coded proteins can be achieved in procaryotic or eucaryotic expression systems.

The gene expression pattern of the inventive compounds in the brain is extremely interesting, because these molecules are expressed in the adult nervous system predominantly in neurons of those regions that are thought to play an important role in learning and memory functions. Together with the recently found evidence for a role of extracellular proteases in neural plasticity, the expression pattern allows the assumption that the proteolytic activity of neurotrypsin has a role in structural reorganizations in connection with learning and memory operations, for example operations which are involved in the processing and storage of learned behaviors, learned emotions, or memory contents. The inventive compounds may, thus, represent a target for pharmaceutical intervention in malfunctions of the brain.

The gene expression pattern of the inventive compounds in the cerebral cortex (especially layers V and VI) is extremely interesting, because a reduction of the cellular differentiation in the cerebral cortex has been found to be associated with schizophrenia. The inventive compounds may, thus, be a target for pharmaceutical intervention in schizophrenia and related psychiatric diseases.

The coding sequences of the inventive compounds have been found to be increased in the neurons located adjacent to the damaged tissue of a focal ischemic stroke, indicating that the inventive compounds play a role in the tissue reaction in the injured cerebral tissue. The inventive compounds may, thus, represent a target for pharmaceutical intervention after ischemic stroke and other forms of neural tissue damage.

Tissue-type plasminogen activator, a serine protease related to the inventive compounds, has recently been found to be involved in excitotoxicity-mediated neuronal cell death. A similar function is conceivable for the inventive compounds and, thus, the inventive compounds represent a possible target for a pharmacological intervention in diseases in which cell death occurs.

The gene expression pattern of the inventive compounds in the spinal cord and in the sensory ganglia is interesting, because these molecules are expressed in the adult nervous system in neurons of those brain regions that are thought to play a role in the processing of pain, as well as in the pathogenesis of pathological pain. The inventive compounds may, thus, be a target for pharmaceutical intervention in pathological pain.

10 In the following part statements concerning the compounds of the formulas I or II are given:

(1) INFORMATION ABOUT THE COMPOUND OF THE FORMULA I
(Neurotrypsin of the human)

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

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- (A) LENGTH: 3350 base pairs
- (B) TYPE: nucleic acid
- (C) STRANDEDNESS: single strand
- (D) TOPOLOGY: linear

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(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: cDNA to mRNA

(vi) ORIGINAL SOURCE:

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- (A) ORGANISM: Homo sapiens
- (D) DEVELOPMENT STAGE: fetal
- (F) TISSUE TYPE: brain

(vii) IMMEDIATE SOURCE:

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- (A) LIBRARY: human fetal brain 5'-stretch plus cDNA library in the lambda
gt10 vector; catalog No. HL 3003a; Clontech, Palo Alto, CA, USA.

(B) CLONE: cDNA Clone No.:

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3-1, 3-2, 3-6, 3-7, 3-8, 3-10, 3-11, 3-12

(ix) FEATURE:

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- (A) NAME/KEY: Signal peptide
- (B) LOCATION: 44 .. 103

(ix) FEATURE:

(A) NAME/KEY: mature peptide

(B) LOCATION: 104 .. 2668

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(ix) FEATURE:

(A) NAME/KEY: coding sequence

10 (B) LOCATION: 44 .. 2668

(ix) FEATURE:

15 (A) NAME/KEY: Proline-rich, basic segment

(B) LOCATION: 104 .. 319

(ix) FEATURE:

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(A) NAME/KEY: Kringle domain

(B) LOCATION: 320 .. 538

25 (ix) FEATURE:

(A) NAME/KEY: SRCR domain 1

(B) LOCATION: 551 .. 856

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(ix) FEATURE:

(A) NAME/KEY: SRCR domain 2

(B) LOCATION: 881 .. 1186

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(ix) FEATURE:

(A) NAME/KEY: SRCR domain 3

5 (B) LOCATION: 1202 .. 1504

(ix) FEATURE:

10 (A) NAME/KEY: SRCR domain 4

(B) LOCATION: 1541 .. 1846

(ix) FEATURE:

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(A) NAME/KEY: proteolytic domain

(B) LOCATION: 1898 .. 2668

(ix) FEATURE:

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(A) NAME/KEY: histidine of the catalytic triade

(B) LOCATION: 2069 - 2071

(ix) FEATURE:

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(A) NAME/KEY: aspartic acid of the catalytic triade

(B) LOCATION: 2219 - 2221

(ix) FEATURE:

(A) NAME/KEY: serine of the catalytic triade

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(B) LOCATION: 2516 .. 2518

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(ix) FEATURE:

- 5 (A) NAME/KEY: polyA signal
(B) LOCATION: 2873 .. 2878

(ix) FEATURE

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- (A) NAME/KEY: polyA signal
(B) LOCATION: 3034 .. 3039

15 (ix) FEATURE:

- (A) NAME/KEY: polyA signal
(B) LOCATION: 3215 .. 3220

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(ix) FEATURE:

- (A) NAME/KEY: 3'UTR
(B) LOCATION: 2669 .. 3350

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(ix) FEATURE

- (A) NAME/KEY: 5'UTR
30 (B) LOCATION: 1 .. 43

Compound of the formula I (neurotrypsin of the human)

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					Met	Thr	Leu	Ala	
					-20				
CGC	TTC	GTG	CTA	GCC	CTG	ATG	TTA	GGG	103
Arg	Phe	Val	Leu	Ala	Leu	Met	Leu	Gly	
-15					-10			-5	
									-1
TTT	GAT	TCT	GTC	CTC	AAT	GAT	TCC	CTC	151
Phe	Asp	Ser	Val	Leu	Asn	Asp	Ser	Leu	
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									15
CCC	CCT	GCG	GGT	CCG	CAC	TAC	CCC	TAT	199
Pro	Pro	Ala	Gly	Pro	His	Tyr	Pro	Tyr	
			20					25	
									30
CCC	CCG	ACG	ACG	CGT	CCG	CCG	CCG	CCT	247
Pro	Pro	Thr	Thr	Arg	Pro	Pro	Pro	Leu	
		35					40	Pro	
								Arg	45
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Pro	Arg	Ala	Leu	Pro	Ala	Gln	Arg	Pro	
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ACG	CCC	CGG	CCG	CAC	CCC	TGG	GGC	TGC	343
Thr	Pro	Arg	Pro	His	Pro	Trp	Gly	Cys	
65					70			75	
									80
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Ser	Val	Thr	Asp	Phe	Gly	Ala	Pro	Cys	
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									95
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								Lys	160
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				165				Val	
								Trp	170
								Gly	175
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Ser	His	Trp	Asp	Asp	Ser	Asp	Ala	Ser	
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								Ile	185
								Cys	190
								His	
								Gln	
								Leu	
								Gln	

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Ser	Ala	Asn	His	Phe	Glu	Glu	Ser	Thr	Gly	Pro	Ile	Trp	Leu	Asp	Asp	
			420					425						430		

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Val	Ser	Cys	Ser	Gly	Lys	Glu	Thr	Arg	Phe	Leu	Gln	Cys	Ser	Arg	Arg	
		435					440					445				
CAG	TGG	GGA	AGG	CAT	GAC	TGC	AGC	CAC	CGC	GAA	GAT	GTT	AGC	ATT	GCC	1495
Gln	Trp	Gly	Arg	His	Asp	Cys	Ser	His	Arg	Glu	Asp	Val	Ser	Ile	Ala	
	450					455					460					
TGC	TAC	CCT	GGC	GGC	GAG	GGA	CAC	AGG	CTC	TCT	CTG	GGT	TTT	CCT	GTC	1543
Cys	Tyr	Pro	Gly	Gly	Glu	Gly	His	Arg	Leu	Ser	Leu	Gly	Phe	Pro	Val	
465					470					475					480	
AGA	CTG	ATG	GAT	GGA	GAA	AAT	AAG	AAA	GAA	GGA	CGA	GTG	GAG	GTT	TTT	1591
Arg	Leu	Met	Asp	Gly	Glu	Asn	Lys	Lys	Glu	Gly	Arg	Val	Glu	Val	Phe	
				485					490					495		
ATC	AAT	GGC	CAG	TGG	GGA	ACA	ATC	TGT	GAT	GAT	GGA	TGG	ACT	GAT	AAG	1639
Ile	Asn	Gly	Gln	Trp	Gly	Thr	Ile	Cys	Asp	Asp	Gly	Trp	Thr	Asp	Lys	
			500					505					510			
GAT	GCA	GCT	GTG	ATC	TGT	CGT	CAG	CTT	GGC	TAC	AAG	GGT	CCT	GCC	AGA	1687
Asp	Ala	Ala	Val	Ile	Cys	Arg	Gln	Leu	Gly	Tyr	Lys	Gly	Pro	Ala	Arg	
			515				520					525				
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Lys	Gln	Asp	Ile	Gly	Arg	His	Asn	Cys	Arg	His	Ser	Glu	Asp	Ala	Gly	
				565					570					575		
GTT	ATT	TGT	GAT	TAT	TTT	GGC	AAG	AAG	GCC	TCA	GGT	AAC	AGT	AAT	AAA	1879
Val	Ile	Cys	Asp	Tyr	Phe	Gly	Lys	Lys	Ala	Ser	Gly	Asn	Ser	Asn	Lys	
			580					585					590			
GAG	TCC	CTC	TCA	TCT	GTT	TGT	GGC	TTG	AGA	TTA	CTG	CAC	CGT	CGG	CAG	1927
Glu	Ser	Leu	Ser	Ser	Val	Cys	Gly	Leu	Arg	Leu	Leu	His	Arg	Arg	Gln	
		595					600					605				
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Lys	Arg	Ile	Ile	Gly	Gly	Lys	Asn	Ser	Leu	Arg	Gly	Gly	Trp	Pro	Trp	
	610					615					620					
CAG	GTT	TCC	CTC	CGG	CTG	AAG	TCA	TCC	CAT	GGA	GAT	GGC	AGG	CTC	CTC	2023
Gln	Val	Ser	Leu	Arg	Leu	Lys	Ser	Ser	His	Gly	Asp	Gly	Arg	Leu	Leu	
	625				630					635					640	
TGC	GGG	GCT	ACG	CTC	CTG	AGT	AGC	TGC	TGG	GTC	CTC	ACA	GCA	GCA	CAC	2071
Cys	Gly	Ala	Thr	Leu	Leu	Ser	Ser	Cys	Trp	Val	Leu	Thr	Ala	Ala	His	
				645					650					655		
TGT	TTC	AAG	AGG	TAT	GGC	AAC	AGC	ACT	AGG	AGC	TAT	GCT	GTT	AGG	GTT	2119
Cys	Phe	Lys	Arg	Tyr	Gly	Asn	Ser	Thr	Arg	Ser	Tyr	Ala	Val	Arg	Val	
			660					665					670			

GGA GAT TAT CAT ACT CTG GTA CCA GAG GAG TTT GAG GAA GAA ATT GGA 2167
 Gly Asp Tyr His Thr Leu Val Pro Glu Glu Phe Glu Glu Glu Ile Gly
 675 680 685

GTT CAA CAG ATT GTG ATT CAT CGG GAG TAT CGA CCC GAC CGC AGT GAT 2215
 Val Gln Gln Ile Val Ile His Arg Glu Tyr Arg Pro Asp Arg Ser Asp
 690 695 700

TAT GAC ATA GCC CTG GTT AGA TTA CAA GGA CCA GAA GAG CAA TGT GCC 2263
 Tyr Asp Ile Ala Leu Val Arg Leu Gln Gly Pro Glu Glu Gln Cys Ala
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 725 730 735

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 755 760 765

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 Leu Pro Lys Arg Phe Cys Glu Glu Arg Tyr Lys Gly Arg Phe Thr Gly
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TGC CAG GGA GAC AGC GGA GGA CCA CTC ATG TGT GAA CGG CCC GGA GAG 2551
 Cys Gln Gly Asp Ser Gly Gly Pro Leu Met Cys Glu Arg Pro Gly Glu
 805 810 815

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 820 825 830

AAG GAT TCT CCT GGT GTT TAT ACC AAA GTC TCA GCC TTT GTA CCT TGG 2647
 Lys Asp Ser Pro Gly Val Tyr Thr Lys Val Ser Ala Phe Val Pro Trp
 835 840 845

ATA AAA AGT GTC ACC AAA CTG TAA TTCTTCATGG AAACCTCAAAA GCAGCATTT 2700
 Ile Lys Ser Val Thr Lys Leu *
 850 855

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TCACAATATA TTCTCAAAGT GATCTGATAT TTGGAAACAA GTATCCTTGT TGAGTACCAA 3300
GTGCTACAGA AACCATAAGA TAAAAATACT TTCTACCTAC AGCGTGCCCG 3350

(1) INFORMATION ABOUT THE COMPOUND OF THE FORMULA II (Neurotrypsin of the mouse)

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

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- (A) LENGTH: 2376 base pairs
- (B) TYPE: nucleic acid
- (C) STRANDEDNESS: single strand
- (D) TOPOLOGY: linear

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(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: cDNA to mRNA

(vi) ORIGINAL SOURCE:

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- (A) ORGANISM: Mus musculus
- (D) DEVELOPMENT STAGE: postnatal day 10
- (F) TISSUE TYPE: brain
- (G) CELL TYPE: neurons

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(vii) IMMEDIATE SOURCE:

- (A) LIBRARY: mouse brain cDNA library in the lambda Uni-ZAP-XR vector, oligo (dT)-primed, from Balb c mice, postnatal day 20, Cat. No.. 937 319; Stratagene, La Jolla, CA, USA

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- (B) CLONE: cDNA clone no. 16

(vii) IMMEDIATE SOURCE:

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- (A) LIBRARY: mouse brain cDNA library in the Lambda gt10 vector, oligo(dT)- and random-primed, embryonic day 15, Cat. No. ML 3002a; Clontech, Palo Alto, CA, USA

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- (B) CLONE: cDNA clone #25

(ix) FEATURE:

(A) NAME/KEY: signal peptide

5 (B) LOCATION: 24 .. 86

(ix) FEATURE:

10 (A) NAME/KEY: mature peptide

(B) LOCATION: 87 .. 2306

(ix) FEATURE:

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(A) NAME/KEY: coding sequence

(B) LOCATION: 24 .. 2306

(ix) FEATURE:

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(A) NAME/KEY: proline-rich, basic segment

(B) LOCATION: 90 .. 275

(ix) FEATURE:

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(A) NAME/KEY: Kringle domain

(B) LOCATION: 276 .. 494

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(ix) FEATURE:

(A) NAME/KEY: SRCR domain 1

35 (B) LOCATION: 519 .. 824

(ix) FEATURE:

- 5 (A) NAME/KEY: SRCR domain 2
(B) LOCATION: 840 .. 1142

(ix) FEATURE:

- 10 (A) NAME/KEY: SRCR domain 3
(B) LOCATION: 1179 .. 1484

15 (ix) FEATURE:

- (A) NAME/KEY: proteolytic domain
(B) LOCATION: 1536 .. 2306

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(ix) FEATURE:

- (A) NAME/KEY: histidine of the catalytic triade
(B) LOCATION: 1707 .. 1709

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(ix) FEATURE:

- (A) NAME/KEY: aspartic acid of the catalytic triade
30 (B) LOCATION: 1857 .. 1859

(ix) FEATURE:

- 35 (A) NAME/KEY: serine of the catalytic triade

(B) LOCATION: 2154 .. 2156

(ix) FEATURE:

5 (A) NAME/KEY: polyA signal

(B) LOCATION: 2324 .. 2329 and 2331 .. 2336

(ix) FEATURE:

10 (A) NAME/KEY: polyA segment

(B) LOCATION: 2357 .. 2376

(ix) FEATURE:

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(A) NAME/KEY: 3'UTR

(B) LOCATION: 2307 .. 2341 or 2307 .. 2356

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(ix) FEATURE:

(A) NAME/KEY: 5'UTR

(B) LOCATION: 1 .. 23

Compound of the formula II (neurotrypsin of the mouse)

GGACCACACT	CGGCGCCGCA	GCC	ATG	GCG	CTC	GCC	CGC	TGC	GTG	CTG	GCT	GTG	53
			Met	Ala	Leu	Ala	Arg	Cys	Val	Leu	Ala	Val	
			-20									-15	
ATT	TTA	GGG	GCA	CTG	TCT	GTA	GTG	GCC	CGC	GCT	GAT	CCG	101
Ile	Leu	Gly	Ala	Leu	Ser	Val	Val	Ala	Arg	Ala	Asp	Pro	
	-10					-5					1		5
TCT	CCC	CTT	CAC	CGC	CCG	CAT	CCG	TCC	CCA	CCG	CGT	TCC	149
Ser	Pro	Leu	His	Arg	Pro	His	Pro	Ser	Pro	Pro	Arg	Ser	
			10						15				20
CAC	TAC	CTT	CCC	AGC	TCG	CGG	CGG	CCA	CCC	AGG	ACC	CCG	197
His	Tyr	Leu	Pro	Ser	Ser	Arg	Arg	Pro	Pro	Arg	Thr	Pro	
			25					30				35	
CTC	CCG	CTG	CGG	ATC	CCC	GCT	GCC	CAG	CGC	CCG	CAG	GTC	245
Leu	Pro	Leu	Arg	Ile	Pro	Ala	Ala	Gln	Arg	Pro	Gln	Val	
		40					45				50		
GGG	CAC	ACG	CCC	CCG	ACG	ATT	CCA	CGC	CGC	TGC	GGG	GCA	293
Gly	His	Thr	Pro	Pro	Thr	Ile	Pro	Arg	Arg	Cys	Gly	Ala	
	55					60					65		
TGG	GGC	AAT	GCC	ACC	AAC	CTC	GGC	GTC	CCG	TGT	CTA	CAC	341
Trp	Gly	Asn	Ala	Thr	Asn	Leu	Gly	Val	Pro	Cys	Leu	His	
	70				75					80			85
GTG	CCG	CCC	TTC	CTG	GAG	CGG	TCG	CCC	CCG	GCC	AGT	TGG	389
Val	Pro	Pro	Phe	Leu	Glu	Arg	Ser	Pro	Pro	Ala	Ser	Trp	
			90						95				100
CGA	GGG	CAG	CCG	CAC	AAC	TTC	TGC	CGG	AGC	CCG	GAT	GGC	437
Arg	Gly	Gln	Pro	His	Asn	Phe	Cys	Arg	Ser	Pro	Asp	Gly	
			105					110				115	
CCT	TGG	TGC	TTC	TAT	CGG	AAT	GCC	CAG	GGC	AAA	GTA	GAC	485
Pro	Trp	Cys	Phe	Tyr	Arg	Asn	Ala	Gln	Gly	Lys	Val	Asp	
		120					125					130	
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Cys	Asp	Cys	Gly	Gln	Gly	Pro	Ala	Leu	Pro	Val	Ile	Arg	
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Trp	Gly	Thr	Ile	Cys	Asp	Asp	Gln	Trp	Asp	Asn	Ala	Asp	
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Cys	Thr	Gly	Asn	Glu	Leu	Ser	Ile	Glu	Gln	Cys	Pro	Lys	Ser	Ser	Trp	
	215					220					225					
GGC	GAA	CAT	AAC	TGT	GGC	CAT	AAA	GAA	GAT	GCT	GGA	GTG	TCT	TGT	GTT	821
Gly	Glu	His	Asn	Cys	Gly	His	Lys	Glu	Asp	Ala	Gly	Val	Ser	Cys	Val	
230					235				240						245	
CCT	CTA	ACA	GAT	GGT	GTC	ATC	AGA	CTG	GCA	GGA	GGA	AAA	AGT	ACC	CAT	869
Pro	Leu	Thr	Asp	Gly	Val	Ile	Arg	Leu	Ala	Gly	Gly	Lys	Ser	Thr	His	
				250					255					260		
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Glu	Gly	Arg	Leu	Glu	Val	Tyr	Tyr	Lys	Gly	Gln	Trp	Gly	Thr	Val	Cys	
			265					270					275			
GAT	GAT	GGC	TGG	ACT	GAG	ATG	AAC	ACA	TAC	GTG	GCT	TGT	CGA	CTG	CTG	965
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		280					285					290				
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Gly	Phe	Lys	Tyr	Gly	Lys	Gln	Ser	Ser	Val	Asn	His	Phe	Asp	Gly	Ser	
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			345					350					355			
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Arg	Leu	Ser	Pro	Gly	Phe	Pro	Ile	Arg	Leu	Val	Asp	Gly	Glu	Asn	Lys	
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Cys	Asp	Asp	Gly	Trp	Thr	Asp	Lys	His	Ala	Ala	Val	Ile	Cys	Arg	Gln	
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Leu	Gly	Tyr	Lys	Gly	Pro	Ala	Arg	Ala	Arg	Thr	Met	Ala	Tyr	Phe	Gly	
				410					415					420		
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Glu	Gly	Lys	Gly	Pro	Ile	His	Met	Asp	Asn	Val	Lys	Cys	Thr	Gly	Asn	
			425					430					435			

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			505					510					515			
GCC Ala	CAT His	GGA Gly	GAC Asp	GGC Gly	AGG Arg	CTG Leu	CTT Leu	TGT Cys	GGA Gly	GCT Ala	ACC Thr	CTT Leu	CTG Leu	AGT Ser	AGC Ser	1685
		520					525					530				
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			570					575						580		
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			585					590					595			
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		600					605					610				
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	615					620					625					
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630					635					640					645	
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				650					655					660		
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			665					670					675			

CAA GAA GAC AAC CGT GTG GAC AGC TGC CAG GGA GAC AGT GGA GGA CCA	2165
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Ser Trp Gly Tyr Gly Cys Gly Val Lys Asp Thr Pro Gly Val Tyr Thr	
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AAAAAAAAAA	2376

Patent claims

1. Neurotrypsins of the formulas I and II

5 I: neurotrypsin of the human

II: neurotrypsin of the mouse

10 2. Neurotrypsin according to claim 1, characterized in that the compounds of the formulas I or II comprise the separate, coding nucleotide sequences and the coded amino acid sequences of the compounds of the formulas I or II.

15 3. Use of the coding nucleotide sequences of the compounds of the formulas I or II for the production of recombinant proteins.

20 4. Use of proteins with the coded amino acid sequences of the compounds of the formulas I or II as targets for the development of pharmaceutical drugs, for example for the inhibition or the enhancement of the catalytic activity of the coded proteins of the formulas I or II.

25 5. Use of the species-homologous proteins of the compounds of the formulas I or II as targets for the development of pharmaceutical drugs, for example for the enhancement or the inhibition of the catalytic activity of the coded proteins of the formulas I or II.

30 6. Use of the proteins with the coded amino acid sequences of the compounds of the formulas I or II for the spatial structure determination, for example the spatial structure determination by means of crystallography or nuclear resonance spectroscopy.

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7. Use of the coded amino acid sequences of the compounds of the formulas I or II for the prediction of the protein structure by means of computerized protein structure prediction methods.
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8. Use of the spatial structure of the coded amino acid sequences of the compounds of the formulas I or II as targets for the development of pharmaceutical drugs, for example for the inhibition or the enhancement of the catalytic activity of the coded proteins of the compounds of the formulas I or II.
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9. Use of the coding nucleotide sequences of the compounds of the formulas I or II in gene therapeutical applications in humans and in animals, as for example as parts of gene therapy vectors or as for example as parts of artificial chromosomes.
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10. Use of the compounds of the formulas I or II for so-called cell engineering applications for the production of gene technologically mutated cells, which produce the coded sequences.
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11. Use of the coded amino acid sequences of the compounds of the formulas I or II as antigens for the production of antibodies, as for example antibodies that inhibit or promote the protease function or antibodies that can be used for immunohistochemical studies.
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12. Use of the coding nucleotide sequences of the compounds of the formulas I or II for the production of transgenic animals, as for example transgenic mice
13. Use of the coding nucleotide sequences of the compounds of the formulas I or II for the inactivation or the mutation of the corresponding gene by means of gene

targeting techniques, as for example the elimination of the gene in the mouse through homologous recombination

- 5 14. Use of the compounds of the formulas I or II for the diagnostics of disorders in the gene corresponding to the compound of the formula I.
- 10 15. Use of the coding nucleotide sequences of the compounds of the formulas I or II as a starting sequence for gene technological modifications aimed at the production of pharmaceutical compositions or gene therapy vectors which exhibit changed properties as compared with the corresponding pharmaceutical compositions or gene therapy vectors containing the coding nucleotide sequence of the compounds of formulas I or II, for example changed proteolytic activity,
15 changed proteolytic specificity, or changed pharmacokinetic characteristics.

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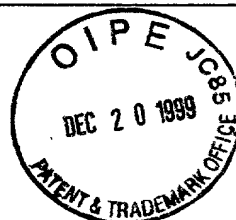
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